Distortion in the text of National Anthem

†1056. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the word 'Gujarat' has been removed from the National Anthem printed in the text books for Class IX in Kerala and if so, it is not an attack on national integrity; and

(b) if so, the action taken by Government to ascertain the facts from the State Government and rectify the position?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI) (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Review of Education Policy

1057. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to review the Education Policy; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI) (a) and (b) Seven Committees of the Central Advisory Board of Education (CABE) have since been constituted on the subjects of (i) Free and Compulsory Education Bill and other issues related to Elementary Education; (ii) Girls Education and the Common School System; (iii) Universalisation of Secondary Education; (iv) Autonomy of Higher Education Insititutions; (v) Integration of Culture Education in the School Curriculum; (vi) Regulatory Mechanism for the Text Books and parallel text books taught in schools outside the Government system; and (vii) Financing of Higher and Technical Education.

A decision regarding the review of the National Policy on Education will be taken based on the reports/recommendations of the CABE Committees.

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